

Town of Fort White

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FORT WHITE

August 13, 2018

The Town Council of the Town of Fort White met in regular business session August 13, 2018 at 7:30 pm. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Demetric Jackson. On roll call, members present were: Donald Cook, Mary Fleming, Demetric Jackson, Matthew Lance and James Richardson.

Motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of July 9 2018 as submitted was made/second. Motion carried.

Motion to approve agenda was made/second. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

GRANT UPDATE: Shannon from NFPS gave an update on the Historical land FRDAP grant applications. The Historical grant will be reviewed in the next couple of months. She asked council if the Town wished to re-submit the application for the FRDAP that was previously submitted and was actually granted, but the funds were not available last time. Council agreed to re-submit the application for the FRDAP.

NEW BUSINESS :

BRYANT ST. STREET LIGHTING Town resident, Nancy Caya addressed council with a request to have a street light placed near her property on Bryant St. . She stated that there was a street light near her property, but when the electric company changed out the bulbs it no longer covered her property. Council advised that since a street light was already in the vicinity of her property, it would not be cost effective to add an additional one at this time. She was advised that she could contact her electric company and make a request for additional lighting to be placed on her monthly billing.

District #1
Donald Cook
386-365-4111

District #2
James Richardson
352-316-8467

District #3
Mary Fleming
386-288-1437

District #4
Matthew Lance
352-317-6226

Mayor
Demetric Jackson
386-365-3304

MACHNIK LAWSUIT: Attorney Koberlein advised council that a lawsuit had been filed by Mac Machnik against the Town claiming that the Town overcharged him for utility services. He stated that our insurance with the League of Cities does not cover this type of lawsuit. He advised that a firm in Jacksonville, Marks Gray, P>A., could be retained to represent the Town in the lawsuit at a rate of \$185 per hour. He stated that he could obtain other quotes, but he felt they would possibly be at a higher rate. He stated that the firm would do an analysis of the lawsuit and determine what action should be taken. A motion was made/second to retain Marks Gray to represent the Town in the Machnik lawsuit. Motion carried.

ENGINEER REPORT; None

ATTORNEY REPORT: None

Meeting adjourned